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Grade 4 Reading
Theme 4 Selection 1
“My Name Is Maria Isabel”

Read the selection, “My Name Is Maria Isabel”. Then, answer the following questions.

1. Maria Isabel does not tell her parents the truth about singing in the play because

- a) she often lies to her parents
- b) she doesn't want to disappoint them
- c) she was busy eating her soup
- d) they will not be at the play

2. What was Maria's main problem in this story?

- a) She didn't have any friends at her new school.
- b) The teacher didn't call her Maria Isabel Salazar Lopez.
- c) She didn't tell her parents the truth about not being in the Winter Pageant.
- d) She couldn't remember the words to the song, “The Candles of Hanukkah”.

3. Based on the details in the story, which qualities best describe Maria's father?

- a) quiet and shy
- b) sad and disappointed
- c) busy and selfish
- d) loving and encouraging

4. How do you think her father would have reacted if Maria had not sung in the pageant?

- a) He would have been understanding and talked it over with Maria.
- b) He would have been angry with Maria.
- c) He would have been upset with the teacher for calling her Mary.
- d) He would have laughed about the whole situation.

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5. Which sentence from the selection is an opinion?

- a) The barrettes were shaped like butterflies.
- b) Maria Isabel just kept looking down at her desk.
- c) Look at the pretty Christmas card I got.
- d) She took a deep breath and began to sing.

6. The genre of this story is

- a) realistic fiction
- b) an informational article
- c) poetry
- d) biography

7. Why does Maria **not** want to be called Mary Lopez?

- a) She doesn't think it is a pretty name.
- b) Mary Lopez is her mother's name.
- c) She is proud of her real name.
- d) There is another girl in the class with that name.

8. The teacher thought it would be sensible for Maria to sing the Hanukkah song in the pageant.

The word sensible means

- a) capable of making sense
- b) a person who makes sense
- c) without making sense
- d) full of sense

9. In what way are Maria and Wilbur the pig alike

- a) Both characters were looking forward to Christmas dinner.
- b) Both are characters in the book Charlotte's Web.
- c) Both characters enjoy singing.
- d) Both characters have a problem that needs to be solved.

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Open-ended Response

Tell how Maria’s feelings changed from the beginning of the story to the end of the story. Use at least two examples from the selection to support your response.

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Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Correct Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	b	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
2	b	Main idea	R4.A.1.4.1
3	d	Characterization	R4.B.1.1.1
4	a	Predict	R4.B.1.1.1
5	c	Fact/opinion	R4.B.3.1.1
6	a	Genre	R4.A.1.6
7	c	Inference	R4.A.1.3.1
8	a	Affix (-ible)	R4.A.1.2.1
9	d	Comparison	R4.B.1.1.1
Open-ended		Comparison	R4.B.1.1.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 points

demonstrates complete knowledge of understanding character’s feelings by telling how Maria’s feelings changed from the beginning to the end using at least 2 examples from the selection.

2 points

demonstrates partial knowledge of understanding character’s feelings by telling how Maria’s feelings changed from the beginning to the end using 1 example from the selection.

1 point

demonstrates incomplete knowledge of understanding character’s feelings by telling how Maria’s feelings changed from the beginning to the end without using any examples from the passage.

0 points

has given a response that provides insufficient material for scoring or is inaccurate in all respects.